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TAGS: PLOS, EI  
SUBJECT: LOS - JANUARY 18 ADDRESS BY AMBASSADOR  
RICHARDSON

REF: STATE 12946

1. IRISH MFA LEGAL ADVISOR MICHAEL GREEN AND THE GOI PRINCIPAL LOS EXPERT GERALDINE SKINNER HAD A CAUTIOUS BUT GENERALLY POSITIVE REACTION TO AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON'S SPEECH. THEY CHARACTERIZED IT AS "TOUGH" AND "BLUNT" AND "TO THE POINT". THE GOI, THEY SAID, HAS NOW NO BASIC DISAGREEMENT WITH THE USG IN LOS MATTERS, BUT IS NOT VERY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE OUTCOME. THEY ESTIMATE THAT THE G-77 HAS CONCLUDED IT HAS NOTHING TO LOSE BY HANGING TOUGH AND DELAYING AGREEMENT. THEY DO NOT BELIEVE THE G-77 TAKES THE IMPLIED THREAT IN RICHARDSON'S SPEECH SERIOUSLY, THOUGH FOR ITS PART THE GOI AND, THEY BELIEVE, THE OTHER EC COUNTRIES TAKE IT SERIOUSLY INDEED.

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2. GREEN AND SKINNER REQUESTED THAT WE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING QUERIES TO THE USDEL: (A) AT THE END OF THE LAST INTERSESSIONAL THE USDEL PROMISED TO UNDERTAKE A "MAJOR REVIEW". IS THIS REVIEW FINISHED AND IS IT AVAILABLE TO THE IRISH DEL? (B) WHAT IS THE CURRENT USG POSITION ON INCLUSION OF AN "EC CLAUSE" IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT? (C) WHAT IS MEANT BY THE PHRASE "REVIEW

CONFERENCE?" I.E. WOULD THE USG PREFER THAT THIS CONSIST  
OF SIGNATORIES ONLY?

3. IN A GENERAL VEIN GREEN OPINED THAT THE EC HAS  
DIFFICULTIES IN RECONCILING ITS OWN POSITIONS, BUT IF  
THERE IS A LIKELIHOOD OF COMPROMISE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES  
THE EC WILL PROBABLY LEAN SLIGHTLY TOWARD THE G-77. FOR  
ITS PART THE FUNDAMENTAL POSITION OF THE GOI IS THAT A  
COMPREHENSIVE TREATY MUST BE CONCLUDED, AND THAT A BREAK-  
DOWN OF THE CONFERENCE AND UNILATERAL ACTION WOULD BE  
AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF EVERYONE. THE GOI WILL BE ON THE  
SIDE OF THOSE WHO RESIST THE IDEA OF PARTIAL, PIECEMEAL  
AGREEMENTS. SHANNON

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